

What is claimed is:

1. A glove compartment and cup holder device for an automobile, comprising:

a box member having an opening;

5 a sliding lid slidably attached to the box member for opening and closing the opening of the box member; and

a supporting member for supporting a container, said supporting member being slidably attached to the sliding lid so that the supporting member can be located under the sliding lid  
10 while the sliding lid is opened and closed relative to the opening, and can be disposed at the opening while the sliding lid is opened.

2. A glove compartment and cup holder device according to claim  
15 1, further comprising a latch mechanism formed between the supporting member and the sliding lid for locking the supporting member relative to the sliding lid.

3. A glove compartment and cup holder device according to claim  
20 2, further comprising an urging member formed between the supporting member and the sliding lid for urging the support member in a direction that the supporting member projects from the sliding lid, and a damper formed between the supporting member and the sliding lid for controlling a speed that the  
25 supporting member projects from the sliding lid.

4. A glove compartment and cup holder device according to claim 1, wherein said sliding lid has a hollow body so that the supporting member is slidably disposed inside the sliding lid.

5. A glove compartment and cup holder device according to claim 1, further comprising a control device provided between the supporting member and the box member for controlling a position of the supporting member so that an end of the supporting member does not contact the box member when the supporting member projects from the sliding lid.

6. A glove compartment and cup holder device according to claim 5, wherein said control device includes a first projection formed on the supporting member and a second projection formed on the box member.